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- 1 Sighting of five unidentified naval vessels; /SVERDLOV-class/ naval vessel, observed flying the vice admiral's flag; two naval vessels of the same class /SKORYY-class/, a naval vessel /KOTLIN-class destroyer/ three naval vessels of the same class, one /GORDYY-class/ destroyer two medium sized unidentified submarines, the sterns of eight large submarines. The road from the corn silo into town was barricaded because of repair work at the harbor gates.
- 2 Sighting of four to five "destroyers", four "MTBs", and two "subchasers"; 25-30 small oil tanks, each of an approximate capacity of 10-20 tons, spread out on land, and behind these, a military camp. Changes in navigation marks at approach to Gulf of Finland.
- 3 Sighting of six unidentified submarines of the same class, Powerful searchlights and morse lamps observed in operation in the vicinity of N 52-47, E 22-03.

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4 - 5 " destroyers ", 4 "MTB's" and 2 "submarine-chasers" were observed moored in the naval harbour in VIBORG which lies just inside the pier. There were 25 or 30 small oil tanks, each of an approx. capacity of 10 - 20 tons, spread out on land and behind these was a military camp.

2. NAVIGATION.

New pilot station at RONDÖ (60°27,5' - 28°21'). Red buoy at RONDÖ MATAALA instead of stake (60°26,7' - 28°17,2'). A white buoy at SITTA HATTA (60°31,7' - 28°22,4'). The stakes have been removed from the northern side of ROSSMATAALA 60°25,2' - 28°12,1').

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1. NAVAL.

[redacted] five submarines were seen moored side by side to the quay at the naval base WINTER HARBOUR.

Description: The vessels were apparently similar, medium sized, cross-bowed, deck-line sloping aft and rounding off at the waterline astern. No visible artillery. The conning tower was slightly raised in front with a flat top. No visible periscope or other equipment on the tower. No jumping wires.

[redacted] a submarine was observed in the vicinity of a position N 57°15' - E 22°38'. The vessel held a course for RIGA at a speed of approx. 16 knots.

Description: [redacted]

[redacted] this vessel was one of those described above or one of the same type.

## 2. SEARCHLIGHTS.

Late in the evening [redacted]

[redacted] north of KOLKASRGAS [redacted]

[redacted] waters were illuminated by powerful searchlights from land. They were all switched on at the same time at an angle of 45° down to the surface. [redacted]

[redacted] the surrounding waters were illuminated as though by daylight and the illumination continued in strength and direction [redacted]

The searchlights were estimated to be placed in the following positions:

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- a. N 57°47' E 22°03'
- b. N 57°47' E 22°07'
- c. N 57°34' E 21°50'
- d. N 57°39' E 22°15'
- e. N 57°44' E 22°34'

Morse lamps were seen in use near some of the search-lights. No vessels were observed in the surrounding waters.

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**1. NAVAL.**

[redacted] at 1600 hours GMT five naval vessels were seen from a great distance between PORKALA and NARVA. They were too far away to note details but were of the size of minesweepers.

[redacted] a large naval vessel was lying moored to a buoy at KRONSTAD.  
Description: [redacted] 2 funnels cowled and raked, 2 tripod masts, large number of guns.

Moored close by were 2 similar, smaller vessels.  
Description: [redacted], short forecastle head, 2 raked funnels, 2 tripod masts, double torpedo tubes astern of both funnels.  
See sketch.

In KRONSTAD harbour a naval vessel was lying at anchor.  
Description: [redacted] flush deck with marked sheer to the bow, 2 funnels, 2 masts.

Three similar naval vessels were moored to the quay at ZDANOV Works.  
Description: The nearest vessel had [redacted] flush decks.

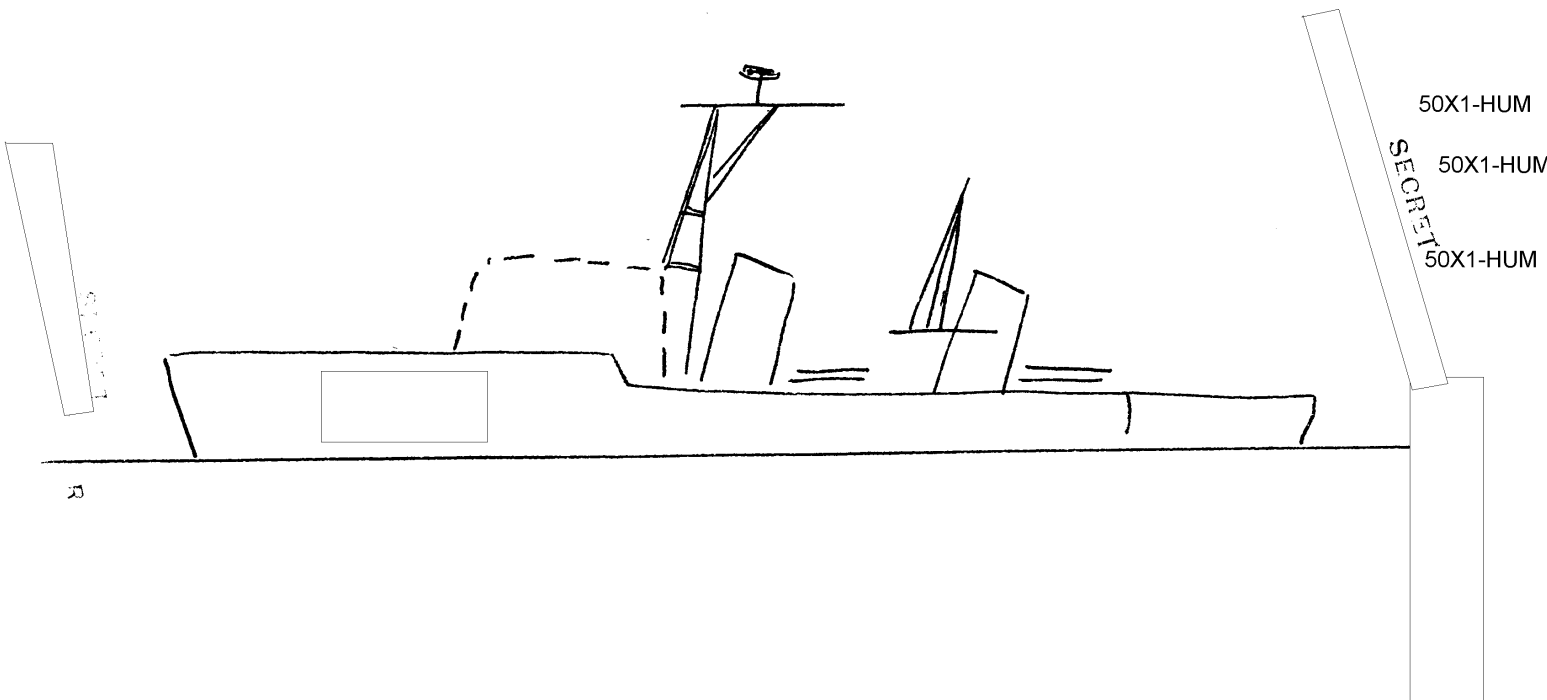
[redacted] at 1700 hours GMT the following naval vessels were lying at KRONSTAD. [redacted] described as a destroyer with one funnel. [redacted] flying the vice-admirals flag [redacted]

Two medium sized submarines, [redacted]  
The sterns of 8 submarines could be seen further in the harbour. They appeared to be very large.

**2. REPAIR WORK.**

The usual road from the corn silo into town was barricaded owing to repair work at the harbour gates.

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